

## House Resolution No. 678

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens or distinguished themselves through significant personal achievement; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize Cody Nickles, a student at Salem Senior High School in Salem, Missouri, who has been accepted in the prestigious Missouri Fine Arts Academy, which is sponsored by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in cooperation with Missouri State University College of Arts and Letters; and

**Whereas**, the Missouri Fine Arts Academy will be held this year between June 8 and June 28 on the campus of Missouri State University in Springfield, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, the theme of this year's Academy is "Artist as World Citizen", and Academy students, faculty, and staff are all mindful of the responsibility that artists have to use their talents for the good of larger communities from their home districts to global societies that can benefit from their unique abilities; and

**Whereas**, each summer for the last thirteen years, the Missouri Fine Arts Academy has provided Missouri's most artistically gifted high school students an opportunity to receive exceptionally high-quality arts instruction, practice community service through the arts, and learn about opportunities to advocate the arts for Missouri and elsewhere:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the achievements of Cody Nickles and to extend our most sincere congratulations on earning the honor of being accepted into the Missouri Fine Arts Academy, with our best wishes for every success; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Cody Nickles.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jason Smith  
District No. 150

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 678, adopted February 18, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker